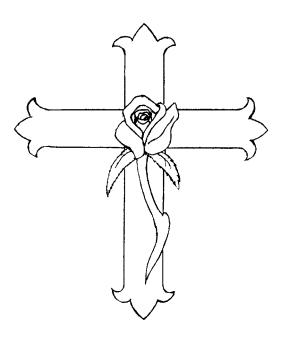
## **Good Friday Rite of Dedication**

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## ZELATOR ADEPTUS MINOR





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CHIEF ADEPT: (Knocks) "Avete, Fratres et Sorores."

SECOND ADEPT: "Rosea Rubea."

THIRD ADEPT: "Et Aurea Crucis."

CHIEF ADEPT: "Very Honored Fraters and Sorors, assist me to open the tomb of the

Adepti. Associate Adeptus Minor, see that the Portal is closed and guarded."

THIRD ADEPT: (Third Adept does so and salutes.) "Merciful Exempt Adept, the

Portal of the Vault is closed and guarded."

CHIEF ADEPT: "Mighty Exempt Adept, by what Sign has thou entered the Portal?"

SECOND ADEPT: "By the Sign of the Rending and Asundering of the Veil."

CHIEF ADEPT: "Associate Adeptus Minor, by what Sign has thou closed the Portal?"

THIRD ADEPT: "By the Sign of the Closing of the Veil."

SECOND ADEPT: (Vibrates.) "Peh."

THIRD ADEPT: (Vibrates.) "Resh."

**SECOND ADEPT:** (Vibrates.) "Kaph."

THIRD ADEPT: (Vibrates.) "Tav."

**SECOND ADEPT:** "Paroketh."

**THIRD ADEPT:** "Which is the veil of the Sanctum Sanctorum. Mighty Adeptus

Exemptus, what is the Mystic Number of this grade?"

SECOND ADEPT: "Twenty-one."

CHIEF ADEPT: "What is the Password formed therefrom?"

THIRD ADEPT: "Aleph."

CHIEF ADEPT: "Heh."

THIRD ADEPT: "Yod."

CHIEF ADEPT: "Heh."

ALL: "Eheieh."

**CHIEF ADEPT:** "Mighty Adeptus Exemptus, what is the Vault of the Adepti?"

**SECOND ADEPT:** "The symbolic burying place of our founder Christian Rosencruetz which he made to represent the Universe."

**CHIEF ADEPT:** "Associate Adeptus Minor, in what part is he buried?"

**THIRD ADEPT:** "In the center of the heptagonal sides beneath the altar, his head being toward the east."

**CHIEF ADEPT:** "Why in the center?"

**SECOND ADEPT:** "Because that is the point of perfect equilibrium, just as the Cross of Christ is the symbol of the equilibrium of self sacrifice."

**CHIEF ADEPT:** "Associate Adeptus Minor, what does the Mystic Number of our founder signify?"

**THIRD ADEPT:** "The Rose and Cross of Christ, the fadeless Rose of Creation, the Immortal Cross of Light."

**CHIEF ADEPT:** "Mighty Adeptus Exemptus, what was the Vault called by our more ancient Fraters and Sorors?"

**SECOND ADEPT:** "The tomb of Osiris Onnophris, the Justified One."

CHIEF ADEPT: "Associate Adeptus Minor, in what shape was the Vault?"

**THIRD ADEPT:** "A heptagon of seven sides."

CHIEF ADEPT: "Mighty Adeptus Exemptus, to what do these seven sides allude?"

**SECOND ADEPT:** "Seven are the lower sephiroth, seven are the palaces, seven are the days of creation. Seven in the height above, seven in the depth below."

**CHIEF ADEPT:** "Mighty Adeptus Exemptus what is the meaning of this title 'Abi-Agnus?'"

**THIRD ADEPT:** "It is Abi-Agnus, Lamb of the Father. It is by metathesis, Abigenos, born of the Father. Bia-genos, strength of our race, and the four words make the sentence: "Mountain of the Lamb of our Father and the strength of our race. IAO. Yehashuah. Such are the words."

CHIEF ADEPT: "Mighty Adeptus Exemptus, what is the key of this Vault?"

**SECOND ADEPT:** "The Rose and Cross which are hidden in the power of the word I.N.R.I.."

**CHIEF ADEPT:** "Associate Adeptus Minor, what is the emblem which I bear on my breast?"

THIRD ADEPT: "The complete symbol of the Rose and Cross."

**CHIEF ADEPT:** "I also carry the wand of the winged globe around which the twin serpents of Egypt twine. It symbolizes the balanced force of the spirit in the elements behind the wings of the Holy One. Associate Adeptus Minor, what are the words inscribed above the Vault?"

**THIRD ADEPT:** "Post Centum Viginti Annos Patebo. After one hundred and twenty years I shall open. The door is guarded by the Elemental Tablets and the Kerubic emblems."

CHIEF ADEPT: "All kneel."

**SECOND ADEPT:** "Father, the hour has come. Give glory to your son that your son may give glory to you, inasmuch as you have given him authority over all mankind, that he may bestow eternal life on those you gave him. I have given you glory on Earth by finishing the work that you gave me to do. Do you now, Father, give me glory at your side? A glory I had before the world was?"

(All rise.)

CHIEF ADEPT: "Let us analyze the Keyword. I."

SECOND ADEPT: "N."

THIRD ADEPT: "R."

ALL: "I."

CHIEF ADEPT: "Yod."

SECOND ADEPT: "Nun."

THIRD ADEPT: "Resh."

ALL: "Yod."

CHIEF ADEPT: (Makes the 'L' Sign.) "Virgo, Isis, Mighty Mother."

SECOND ADEPT: (Makes the 'V' Sign.) "Scorpio, Apophis, Destroyer."

THIRD ADEPT: (Makes the 'X' Sign.) "Sol, Osiris, slain and risen."

ALL: "Isis, Apophis, Osiris, IAO. Let the Divine Light descend."

ALL: (Makes the 'X' Sign.) "The Sign of Osiris slain."

CHIEF ADEPT: (Makes the 'L' Sign.) "The Sign of the mourning of Isis."

SECOND ADEPT: (Makes the 'V' Sign.) "The Sign of Typhon and Apophis."

THIRD ADEPT: (Makes the 'X' Sign.) "The Sign of Osiris risen."

ALL: "LVX, Lux, the Light of the Cross."

(**All** quit the tomb.)

**CHIEF ADEPT:** "In the Grand Word, Yehashuah, and by the Keyword I.N.R.I. and through the Concealed Word, LVX, I have opened the Tomb of the Adepti."

(The bell rings twenty-one times.)

**CHIEF ADEPT:** "Fraters and Sorors of the Rosea Rubea et Aurea Crucis, it is to the ends that we unseal our hearts which through the force of our Ruach, we have allowed to become encased in matter. Let us this day open the Tomb of Christ of whose heart is the center. Let this allow us to unite our hearts with Yehashuah. May the heart of Yehashuah be my heart, and may my heart transform into the heart of Yehashuah. For it is from the heart that life springs forth the glory of the Sun, and the unspoken word of the Logos that prepares us for the endless night's journey across the great Abyss. The glorious Sun of Tiphareth shall shine on the summit of Calvary.

Fraters and Sorors, let us remember that it is by our wounds that we are healed. It is by the wounds on our bosom and the wounds of Yehashuah, the sacrificing of the lower unto the Higher that we are justified. For it is not the actual blood upon the cross that renews us and glorifies us, but rather it is the life force that we as Rosicrucians devote to the Great Work, and our triumphant and glorious return home unto the infinite light of the Supernals."

**SECOND ADEPT:** "Let us this day renew ourselves unto the Light, for if we cling unto the Ruach, then we have the fruits of the Ruach which end in the endless grade. If Amoun wishes to come after me, he must deny his very self, take up his cross and follow in my steps. Whosoever loves his life will lose it, but whosoever loses his life for my sake, will preserve it. What profit does a man show in his gaining the world and destroying himself in the process? What can a man offer in exchange for his life, for if anyone in this fateless and corrupt age is ashamed of me, the Son of Man will be ashamed of him when he comes with the holy angels in his glory."

**THIRD ADEPT:** "I renounce my birth name <u>(states it)</u>, for I am <u>(power name)</u>. I vow to give up myself in order that I may find myself."

**SECOND ADEPT:** "I renounce my birth name <u>(states it)</u>, for I am <u>(power name)</u>. I vow to give up myself in order that I may find myself."

**CHIEF ADEPT:** "I renounce my birth name (states it), for I am (power name). I vow to give up myself in order that I may find myself."

**ALL:** "I renounce my birth name (states it), for I am (power name). I vow to give up myself in order that I may find myself."

**CHIEF ADEPT:** "The symbol of suffering is the symbol of strength. As brothers and sisters of the Inner Light, let us vow always to be strong, for we are the inheritors of a dying world. As we give up ourselves and our hearts, we become the heart of Yehashuah, the glory of Tiphareth, the reflected light of Kether. We shine light on the world, thus giving it life. Now, in the Divine name of IAO, I invoke the great Avenging Angel Hua to lay thy hand upon the aspirant as he/she repeats the solemn obligation of our hidden and secret fraternity of the Red Rose on the Golden Cross."

## **Obligation**

"Kether: I Frater/Soror \_\_\_\_\_, a member of the Body of Christ, do this day spiritually bind myself, even as I am now bound physically upon the Cross of Suffering.

Chokmah: That I will to the utmost lead a pure and unselfish life, and will prove myself a faithful and devoted servant of this Order.

Binah: That I will keep secret all things connected with the Order, and its secret knowledge from the whole world, equally from one who is a member of the First Order of the Golden Dawn as from an uninitiated person, and that I will maintain the veil of strict secrecy between the First and the Second Orders.

Chesed: That I will uphold to the utmost the authority of the Chiefs of the Order, and that I will not initiate or advance any person in the First Order, either secretly or in open Temple, without due authorization and permission; that I will neither recommend a candidate for admission to the First Order without due judgment and assurance that he or she is worthy of so great a confidence and honor, nor unduly press any person to become a candidate; and that I will superintend any examination of members of lower grades without fear or favor in any way, so that our high standard of knowledge be not lowered by my instrumentality.

Geburah: Furthermore, that I will perform all practical work connected with this Order in a place of concealment and apart from the gaze of the outer and uninitiated world, and that I will not display our magical implements, nor reveal the use of the same, but will

keep secret this inner Rosicrucian knowledge even as the same hath been kept secret through the ages; that I will not perform any ritual of the Rosea Rubea et Aurea Crucis before the eyes of any person save for the permission of the Chiefs of the Order.

Tiphareth: I further promise and swear that with the Divine permission, I will, from this day forward, apply myself to the Great Work, which is to purify and exalt my spiritual nature so that with the Divine aid I may at length attain to be more than human, and thus gradually raise and unite myself to my Higher and Divine Genius, and that in this event I will not abuse the great power entrusted to me.

Netzach: I furthermore solemnly pledge myself never to work at any important symbol without first invocating the highest Divine names connected therewith, and especially not to debase my knowledge of practical magic to purposes of evil and self seeking and low material gain or pleasure. If I do this, notwithstanding this my oath, I invoke the Avenging Angel Hua, that the evil and material may react on me.

Hod: I further promise to support the admission of both sexes to our Order on a perfect equality, and that I will always display brotherly love and forbearance toward the members of the whole Order, neither slandering, nor evil-speaking, nor repeating nor tale-bearing, whereby strife and ill-feeling may be engendered.

Yesod: I also undertake to work unassisted at the subjects prescribed to study in the various practical grades from Adeptus Minor to as high as my aspirations will take me.

Malkuth: Finally, if in my travels I should meet a stranger who professes to be a member of the Rosicrucian Order, I will examine him or her with care before acknowledging him or her to be such.

Such are the words of this my obligation as an Adept, whereunto I pledge myself in the presence of the Divine One and of the Great Avenging Angel Hua, and if I fail herein, may my Rose be disintegrated and my power in magic cease."

(One at a time, each Adept stands against the cross holding the crucifix in hand and receives the re-opening of the mark. The **Chief Adept** goes last, placing the mark on his own body.)

(At this point, **all** kneel before the cross.)

**THIRD ADEPT:** (Vibrates.) "Eli Eli Lama Sabachthani, My God! My God! Why has Thou forsaken me?"

SECOND ADEPT: "Unto you Father, do we commend our spirit."

(All kneel with the forehead to the ground for approximately five minutes.)

**SECOND ADEPT:** "O Yehashuah, thou art truly the Resurrection and the Life, with thy merciful aid, the Divine light of Kether stands before us."

CHIEF ADEPT: (Invokes Tiphareth.) "O God the Vast One Thou who art in all things. O Nature, Thou self from nothing. For what else can I call Thee? In myself I am nothing, in Thee I am self and exist in Thy self from nothing. Live Thou within me and bring me unto the self which is in Thee. We desire the attainment and knowledge of our Higher and Divine Genius, the Summon Bonum, true wisdom, perfect happiness. Thou who dwellest in the boundless Light in whom only is being and who alone can say I am, beginner of movement, life in all things. Thou who filled the infinite Universe with Thy essence, Thou art glorified forever and ever. Amen."

(All rise.)

ALL: "IAO."

THIRD ADEPT: "Let the Divine Light descend."

(Perform the S.I.R.P. or Watchtower.)

**THIRD ADEPT:** (Faces east and vibrates the Divine names and Kings of each of the Watchtowers saying:) "We invoke ye Angels and Kings of the Watchtowers. Be here now and partake of this ceremony of the Rosea Rubea et Aurea Crucis. Ye mighty and glorious angels of the Watchtowers, gather about us now, fill us with thy presence, come upon us, for with Yehashuah we have died upon the cross and with him we have risen in the Light."

ALL: "I am he the bornless spirit having sight in the feet, strong and immortal fire. I am he, the truth. I am he that hate that evil should be wrought in the world. I am he that lighteneth and thundereth. I am he from whom is the shower of the life of the Earth. I am he, whose mouth ever flameth. I am He, the begetter and the manifester unto the Light. I am He, the grace of the world. The Heart Girt with a Serpent is my name. Come thou forth and follow me and make all spirits subject unto me so that every spirit of the firmament and of the ether, upon the Earth and under the Earth, on dry land and in the water, of whirling air and of rushing fire and every spell and scourge of God the Vast One may be obedient unto me. IAO. Such are the words."

"I am the resurrection and the Life, he who believeth in me though he were dead yet shall he live, and he who believeth in me who liveth shall never die. I am the first and the last, I am he who liveth and was dead, and behold, I am alive evermore. I am the Way, the Truth and the Life, no man cometh unto the Father but by me. I have passed from the gates of the darkness into the light. I have entered the invisible, I am Amoun the Concealed One, the Opener of the Day. I am Osiris Onnophris, the Justified One, Lord of Life, Triumphant over Death. There is no part of me not of the gods. I am the Preparer of the Pathway, the Rescuer unto the Light. I am rising higher and higher, I am passing beyond the light of the Sun. I pass through the Abyss of duality into the infinite reconciliation of unity. I stand in the center of the darkest of

Light. This is the Lord of the gods, this is the Lord of the Universe, this is he whom the winds fear, this is he who having made voice by his commandment is lord of all things, king, ruler and helper."

(Each **Adept** spends a few minutes in silence.)

**CHIEF ADEPT:** "Out of the darkness, let the light arise. IAO. Let the Divine Light descend over us eternally and over all those that we are assigned to teach and council."

SECOND ADEPT: "Before I was blind and now I see."

**CHIEF ADEPT:** "I am the reconciler within the ineffable. I am the dweller in the invisible. Be our minds open to the Higher."

(Chief Adept places the crux between the spine and shoulder blades of other Adepts, against the left breast of the Second Adept, and the right breast on the Third Adept.)

CHIEF ADEPT: "Be thy body a Temple of the Rose and Cross."

(Chief Adept places the crux on the base of the spine on all the Adepts, the Second Adept on the left hip and the Third Adept on the right hip.)

CHIEF ADEPT: "Be thy body a Temple of the Rose Cross."

CHIEF ADEPT: "I."

SECOND ADEPT: "N."

THIRD ADEPT: "R."

ALL: "I."

CHIEF ADEPT: "Yod."

SECOND ADEPT: "Nun."

THIRD ADEPT: "Resh."

ALL: "Yod."

CHIEF ADEPT: "Virgo, Isis, Mighty Mother."

SECOND ADEPT: "Scorpio, Apophis, Destroyer."

THIRD ADEPT: "Sol, Osiris, slain and risen."

ALL: "Isis, Apophis, Osiris, IAO."

CHIEF ADEPT: "Let the Divine Light descend."

SECOND ADEPT: "Rosea Rubea."

THIRD ADEPT: "Et Aurea Crucis."

CHIEF ADEPT: "Post Centum Viginti Annos Patebo."

(All leave the Vault and return to original position.)

(Chief Adept makes the Closing of the Veil and returns to the east.)

CHIEF ADEPT: "Thus, I have closed the Vault of the Adepti on the mystic mountain."

THIRD ADEPT: "Ex De Nascimur."

SECOND ADEPT: "In Yehashuah Morimer."

CHIEF ADEPT: "Per Spiritum Sanctum Reviviscimus."

(The bell rings twenty-one times.)

